# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## **FISCAL NOTE**



## **HB 1127**

March 29, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the filing of tax returns with the Secretary of State, no less than 50 days prior to an election, in order for candidates for United States President to appear on the general election ballot in Tennessee.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

### Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-5-202, each county election commission shall have printed separate general election ballots on which shall be only the names of candidates who have qualified and who are to be voted on at the polling place in which the ballots are used.
- The proposed language would require candidates for United States President to submit their tax returns for the preceding five years with the Secretary of State as a condition of qualification to appear on the general election ballot in Tennessee.
- Such tax returns are required to be filed no less than 50 days prior to the election.
- Ballots are printed before the 45<sup>th</sup> day before an election.
- No additional ballots would be required to be printed.
- There will be no increase in state or local expenditures for the required filing of tax returns in order for a candidate to appear on the ballot.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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